

Remarks

Claim 2-22 were pending in this application.

Claims 2-7, 11, 13-17, and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Uzo, U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0061170 A1 (hereinafter "Uzo").

Claims 8, 9, 10, 18, 19 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Uzo in view of Gomm et al. U.S. Patent No. 5,753,899.

Claims 12 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Uzo in view of Brett U.S. Patent No. 6,907,405.


Applicant has amended claims 2-5, 9, 10, 13-15, 19, and 20 to more particularly define the invention and for clerical purposes. Applicant has also added new claims 23-36. The amendments and new claims are fully supported and justified by the specification.

On August 23, 2005, the undersigned attorney and the Examiner conducted a phone interview regarding this application. Applicant and the undersigned attorney wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the interview. An agreement was reached that the present

rejections would most likely be overcome if independent claims 2, 3, and 13 were clarified in the manner set forth in the amendments herein. Applicant therefore respectfully submits that claims 2-36 are allowable over the cited prior art.

In view of the foregoing applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, prompt reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

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